

Objectives

- Search comparison
- Two-dimensional lists

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Review

- What are the two types of search we discussed?
 - How do they work?
 - How do they compare?
 - What are the tradeoffs between using linear search and binary search?

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Review: Search Using `in` Review

- Iterates through a list, checking if the element is found
- Known as *linear search*
- **Implementation:**

```
def linearSearch(searchlist, key):  
    for elem in searchlist:  
        if elem == key:  
            return True  
    return False
```

| | | | | |
|-------|---|---|---|---|
| value | 8 | 5 | 3 | 7 |
| pos | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

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Alternative: Like `index` method

- Iterates through positions in a list, checking if the element is found
- Still known as *linear search*
- **Implementation:**

```
def linearSearch(searchlist, key):  
    for pos in len(range(searchlist)):  
        if searchlist[pos] == key:  
            return pos  
    return -1
```

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Review: Linear Search

- **Overview:** Iterates through a list, checking if the element is found
- **Benefits:**
 - Works on *any* list
- **Drawbacks:**
 - **Slow**, on average: needs to check each element of list if the element is not in the list

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Review: Binary Search: Eliminate Half the Possibilities

- Repeat until find value (or looked through all values)
 - Guess middle *value* of possibilities
 - (not middle *position*)
 - If match, found!
 - Otherwise, find out too high or too low
 - Modify your possibilities
 - Eliminate the possibilities from your number and higher/lower, as appropriate
- Known as **Binary Search**

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Binary Search Implementation

```
def search(searchlist, key):
    low=0
    high = len(searchlist)-1
    while low <= high :
        mid = (low+high)//2
        if searchlist[mid] == key:
            return mid    # return True
        elif key > searchlist[mid]:
            low = mid+1
        else:
            high = mid-1
    return -1    # return False
```

If you just want to know if it's in the list

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Binary Search

- Example of a *Divide and Conquer* algorithm
 - Break into smaller pieces that you can solve
- Benefits:
 - Faster to find elements (especially with larger lists)
- Drawbacks:
 - List **must** be sorted before searching
 - Takes time to sort
 - Requires that data can be compared
 - `__lt__`, `__eq__` methods implemented by the class (or another solution) More on this tomorrow

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Key Questions in Computer Science

- How can we efficiently organize data?
- How can we efficiently search for data, given various constraints?
 - Example: data may or may not be sortable
- What are the tradeoffs?

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Empirical Study of Search Techniques

Goal: Determine which technique is better under various circumstances

- How long does it take to find various keys?
 - **Measure** by the number of comparisons
 - Vary the size of the list and the keys
 - What are good tests for the lists and the keys?

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Empirical Study of Search Techniques

- Analyzing Results ...
 - By how much did the number of comparisons for *linear search* vary?
 - By how much did the number of comparisons for *binary search* vary?
- What conclusions can you draw from these results?

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Search Strategies Summary

- Which search strategy should I use under the following circumstances?
 - I have a short list
 - I have a long list
 - I have a long sorted list

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Search Strategies Summary

- Which search strategy should I use under the following circumstances?
 - I have a short list
 - How short? How many searches? Linear (**in**)
 - I have a long list
 - Linear (**in**) - because don't know if in order, comparable
 - Alternatively, may want to sort the list and *then* perform binary search, if sorting first won't be more effort than just sorting.
 - I have a long sorted list
 - Binary

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2D LISTS

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Lists

- We've used lists that contain
 - Integers
 - Strings
 - Cards (Deck class)
 - Persons (your Person class)
- We discussed that lists can contain multiple types of objects within the same list
 - Wheel of Fortune: ["Bankrupt", 250, 350, ...]
- Lists can contain *any type* of object
 - Even **LISTS!**

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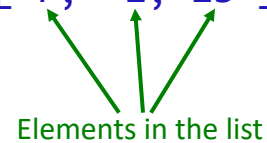
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Review of Regular (1D) Lists

```
onedlist = [ 7, -1, 23 ]
```



Elements in the list

- How do we find the number of elements in the list?
- How can we find the value of the third element in the list?

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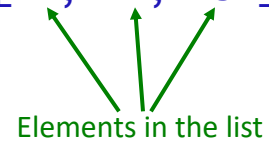
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Review of Regular (1D) Lists

```
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```

- `len(onedlist)` is 3
- `onedlist[2]` is 23



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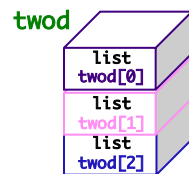
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A List of Lists: 2-Dimensional List

```
twod[0] twod[1] twod[2]  
twod = [ [1,2,3,4], [5,6], [7,8,9,10,11] ]
```



1st dimension

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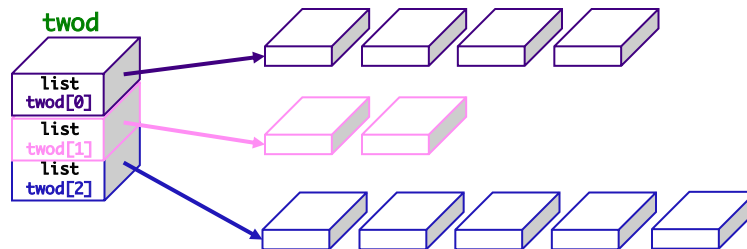
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A List of Lists: 2-Dimensional list

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```



- “Rows” within 2-dimensional list do **not** need to be the same length
- However, it’s often easier if they’re the same length!
 - We’ll focus on “rectangular” 2D lists

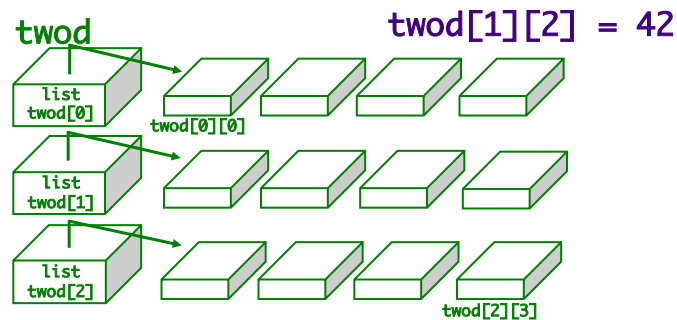
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Handling Rectangular Lists



- What does each component of `twod[1][2]` mean?
- How can we programmatically determine the number of rows in `twod`? The number of columns in a given row?

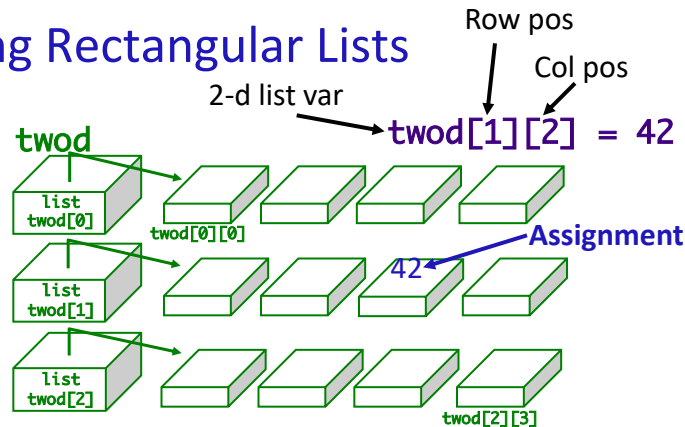
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Handling Rectangular Lists



- How can we programmatically determine the number of rows in `twod`?
 - `rows = len(twod)`
- The number of columns in a given row?
 - `cols = len(twod[whichRow])`

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2D List Practice

Starting with the 2D list `twod` shown here, what are the values in `twod` after running this code?

twod Before

| | | | | |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| row 0 → | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| row 1 → | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| row 2 → | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| | col 0 | col 1 | col 2 | col 3 |

```
def mystery(twod):
    """ 'run' this on twod, at right """
    for row in range( len(twod) ):
        for col in range( len(twod[row]) ):
            if row == col:
                twod[row][col] = 42
            else:
                twod[row][col] += 1
```

twod After

| | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| | | | |
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| | | | |

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mystery.py

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```

`twod` After

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 42 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 42 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 42 | 13 |

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`mystery.py`

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Creating a 2D List

```
twod = [ ]
```

- Create a row of the list, e.g.,
`row = [1, 2, 3, 4]` or `row = list(range(1,5))`
or `row = [0] * 4` or ...
- Then append that row to the list
`twod.append(row)`
`print(twod)`
 - `[[1, 2, 3, 4]]`
- Repeat
`row = list(range(1,5))`
`twod.append(row)`
`print(twod)`
 - `[[1, 2, 3, 4], [1, 2, 3, 4]]`

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Generalize Creating a 2D List

- Create a function that returns a 2D list with width ***cols*** and height ***rows***
 - Initialize each element in (sub) list to 0

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```

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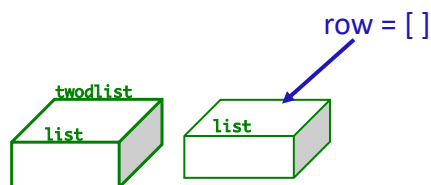
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Example: Creating 2D List – 3 rows, 4 cols



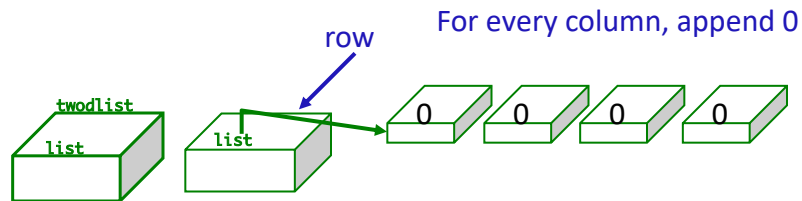
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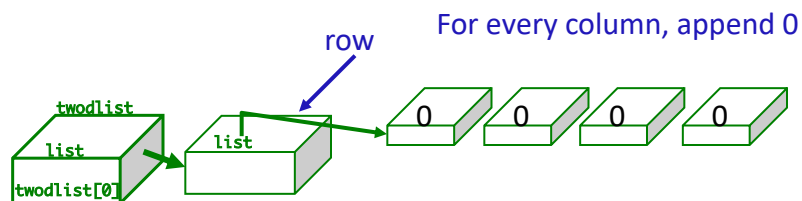
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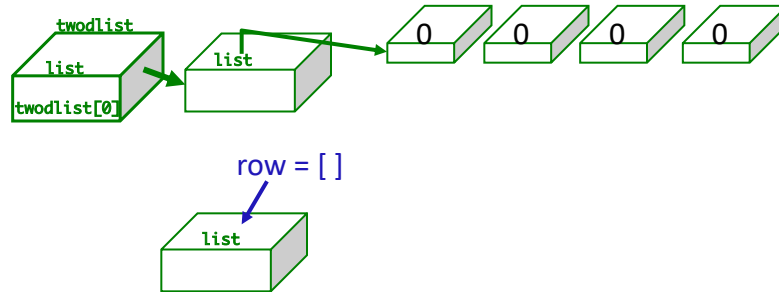
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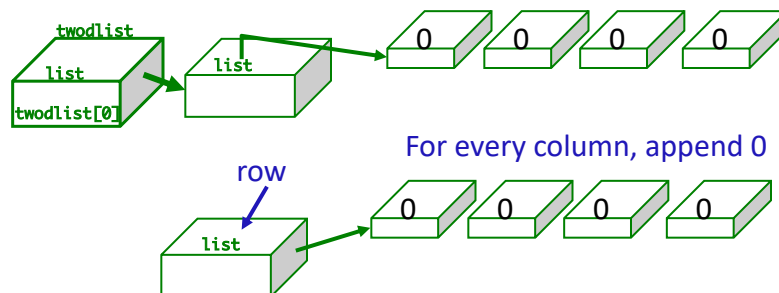
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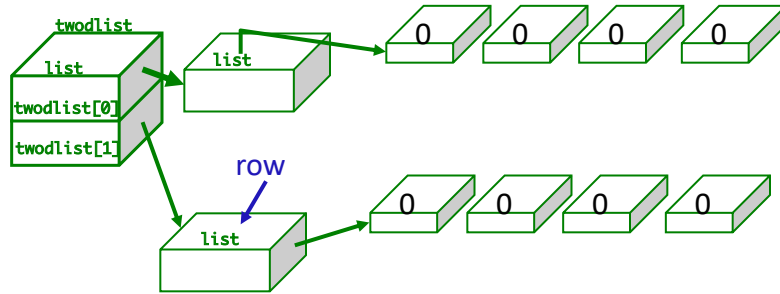
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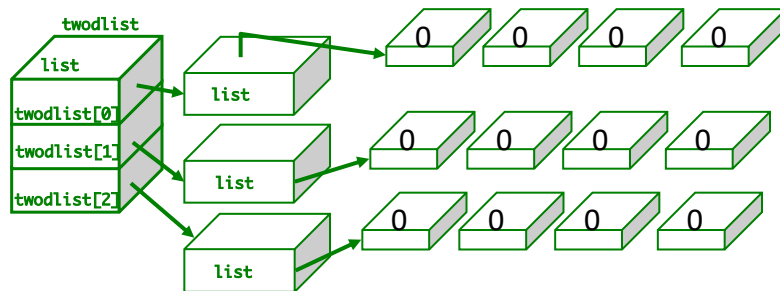
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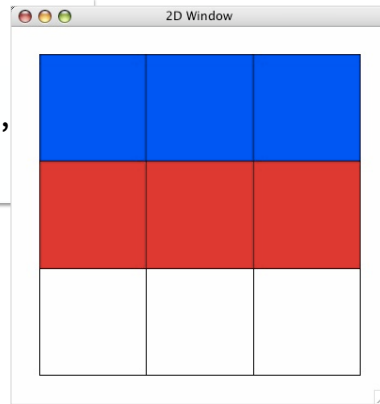
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Graphical Representation of 2D Lists

- Module: `cspLOT`
- Allows you to visualize your 2D list
 - Numbers are represented by different colors

```
import cspLOT  
...  
# create 2D list...  
twodlist=[ [0,0,0], [1,1,1], [2,2,  
# display list graphically  
cspLOT.show(twodlist)
```



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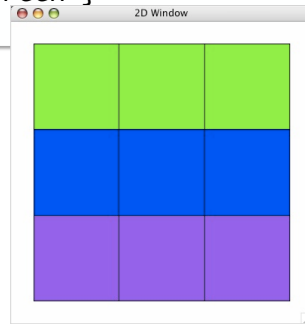
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Graphical Representation of 2D Lists

- Can assign colors to numbers

```
import csplot
...
# create 2D list...
twodlist= [ [0,0,0], [1,1,1], [2,2,2] ]
# create optional dictionary of numbers to their color rep
numToColor={0:"purple", 1:"blue", 2:"green"}
csplot.show(twodlist, numToColor)
```



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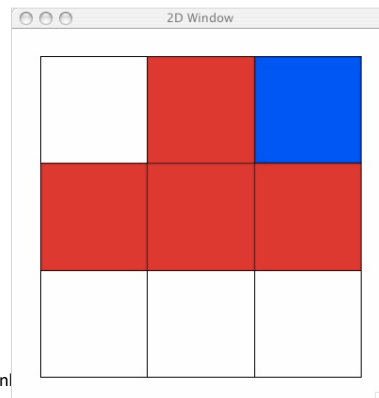
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Graphical Representation of 2D Lists

```
matrix = [[0,0,0], [1,1,1], [0,1,2]]
```

What values map to which colors by default?



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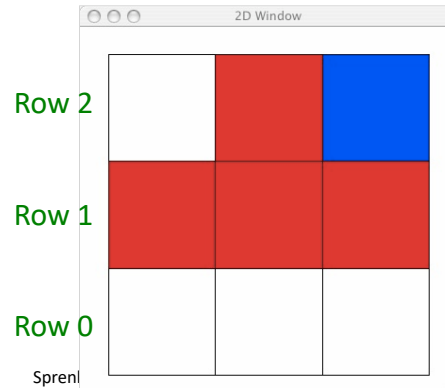
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Graphical Representation of 2D Lists

- Note that representation of rows is backwards from how we've been visualizing

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```

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Game Board for Connect Four

- 6 rows, 7 columns board
- Players alternate dropping red/black checker into slot/column
- Player wins when have four checkers in a row vertically, horizontally, or diagonally

How do we represent the board as a 2D list, using a graphical representation?

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Representing Connect Four Game Board

- Using a 2D list

| Number | Meaning | Color |
|--------|----------|--------|
| 0 | Free | Yellow |
| 1 | Player 1 | Red |
| 2 | Player 2 | Black |

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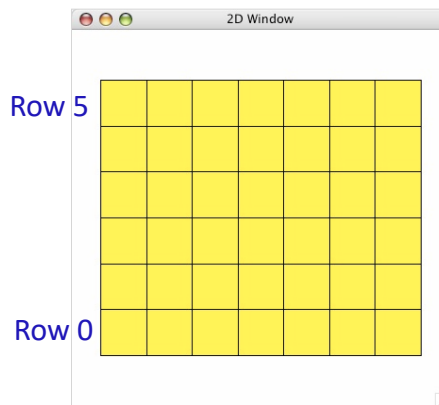
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ConnectFour Class

- What is the data associated with the class?
- What methods should we implement?

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ConnectFour Class

- Data
 - Board + constants
 - 6 rows, 7 columns, all FREE to start
- Methods
 - Constructor
 - Display the board
 - Play the game
 - Get input/move from user
 - Check if valid move
 - Make move
 - Check if win

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ConnectFour Constants

```
class ConnectFour:
    """ Class representing the game Connect Four. """

    # Represent different values on the board
    FREE = 0
    PLAYER1 = 1
    PLAYER2 = 2

    # Represent the dimensions of the board
    ROWS = 6
    COLS = 7
```

To reference constants, use `ConnectFour.CONSTANT`

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ConnectFour Class

- Play the game method implementation

- Repeat:

- Get input/move
- Check if valid move
- Make move
- Display board
- Check if win
- Change player

```
def play(self):
    won = False
    player = ConnectFour.PLAYER1

    while not won:
        print("Player {:d}'s move".format(player))
        if player == ConnectFour.PLAYER1:
            col = self._userMakeMove()
        else: # computer is player 2
            # pause because otherwise move happens too
            # quickly and looks like an error
            sleep(.75)
            col = self._computerMakeMove()

        row = self.makeMove(player, col)
        self.showBoard()
        won = self._isWon(row, col)

        # alternate players
        player = player % 2 + 1
```

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Connect Four (C4): Making moves

- User clicks on a column
 - “Checker” is filled in at that column

```
# gets the column where user clicked  
col = csplot.sinput()
```

```
def _userMakeMove(self):  
    """Allow the user to pick a column."""  
    col = csplot.sinput()  
    validMove = self._isValidMove(col)  
    while not validMove:  
        print("NOT A VALID MOVE.")  
        print("PLEASE SELECT AGAIN.")  
        print()  
        col = csplot.sinput()  
        validMove = self._isValidMove(col)  
    return col
```

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Problem: C4 - Valid move?

- Need to enforce valid moves
 - In physical game, run out of spaces for checkers if not a valid move
- How can we determine if a move is valid?
 - How do we know when a move is *not* valid?

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Problem: C4 - Valid move?

- Solution: check the “top” spot
 - If the spot is FREE, then it’s a valid move

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Problem: C4 - Making a Move

- The player clicks on a column, meaning that’s where the player wants to put a checker
- How do we update the board?

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Looking Ahead

- Lab 11 – Tomorrow
 - Pre lab: review nested lists, classes
 - Review implementation of binary search
- Broader Issue: Facebook – Friday

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Exam 2 Results

| | A | B | C | Total |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Average | 87.29 | 78.41 | 84.21 | 89.16 |
| Median | 89.20 | 77.27 | 89.47 | 93.75 |

- Common issues
 - Identifying data types (int, str, dictionary, list)
 - Tracing functions, describing what they do
 - Formal, actual parameters
 - What code outputs
 - Complicating code to solve problem
 - Ex: can use `in` to check if a key is in a dictionary

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